TRANSITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR ABUSED FAMILY MEMBERS

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- Congressionally mandated program
- Benefits for 12 to 36 mos
- For family members that have experienced abuse
- Meant to ease the unexpected transition from military to civilian life

TRANSITIONAL COMPENSATION

Eligibility Requirements:

- Service member was separated from service for DV either by Court-Martial sentence or Administrative Board.
- Service member must have served at least 30 days on active duty.
- Criminal offense is against either the spouse or the dependent child.

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Eligibility Requirements:

- The dependent (spouse/child) must have either been living in the home or married to the service member when the incident occurred.
- The spouse and/or child(ren) are no longer residing with the service member.
- For child only cases, the spouse was not an active participant in the child abuse
- The spouse has not remarried.

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Benefits include:

- Medical Care (dental is on space available basis)
- Commissary and Exchange privileges
- New ID cards
- Direct Deposit through DFAS (required)
- Payment on the first of each month

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Victim Advocate is responsible for assisting clients in applying for Transitional Compensation and coordinating with HQ

- The Victim Advocate portion of the FAP case remains open during the application, regardless of the status of the FAP case

APPLICATION PROCESS

Forms to be completed:

- DD Form 2698, Application for Transitional Compensation
- SF 1199A, Application for Direct Deposit
- Acknowledgement of Actions Form
- Headquarters Cover Letter
- Proof of administrative separation or results of a court martial
- Any additional documentation to support claim

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Can take btwn 4-6 wks to get HQ approval
  - May take another 4 weeks for DFAS/DEERS to be updated and 1st payment to be received
  - Payments are back dated to the date of separation for the SM
- Exception packages take much longer. Those packages must be forwarded to SECNAV for approval after approval from HQMC